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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS,

SIR:

Applicants submitted, by facsimile, a RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION on November 14, 2005, in which the following statement was made.

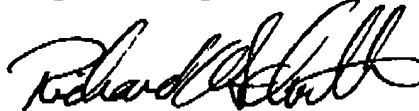
"Applicants do not believe that a fee is due in connection with this response. If, however, the Commissioner determines that a fee is due, he is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 19-1345." (page 11, line 3-6 of the RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION filed November 14, 2004)

Applicants were incorrect in their belief that no fee was due with the response. The Office Action to which the Applicants were responding was mailed on June 14, 2005. Applicants' response was sent by facsimile on November 14, 2005. Thus, a two (2) month extension of time fee under 37 CFR 1.136 and 37 CFR 1.17(a) in the amount of \$450.00 was due with the response. In view of the fact that Applicants expressly authorized the Commissioner to charge any fee due to the Deposit Account, the Response filed on November 14, 2005 was fully responsive and timely filed with the requisite extension fee. As requested by the receiving office, however, Applicants hereby expressly

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authorize the Commissioner to charge Deposit Account No. 19-1345 a two month extension of time fee in the amount of \$450.00. The Commissioner is further authorized to charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-1345.

Respectfully submitted,



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